Recommendation	Implementation Thereon
	publish reports on credit flows to the SSI, at least once a year.
13. Reservation of items for exclusive manufacture in the small scale sector be abolished.	NOT ACCEPTED. However, the position is reviewed from time to time by an Advisory Committee on Reservation constituted under the I (D&R) Act, 1951 and any further addition or deletion is done on the recommendations of the Committee.

Losses made by PSUs

3001. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that out of 236 PSUs, 104 are reportedly loss making;

(b) if so, what is the accumlatcd loss of such undertakings till date;

(c) whether Government have till date taken any decision to close down sick Central PSUs and made offer of Voluntary Retirement Scheme;

(d) what is at present the total amount of outstanding dues/arrers required to be paid to employees of sick units; and

(c) if so, what policy Government would like to adopt in cases of "unproductive" and "sick" units in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH BADAL) (a) and (b) No, Sir. As per Public Enterprises Survey Report 1997-98 which has been laid on the Table of both the Houses of Parliament on 26.2.99, of the 236 operating CPSUs, 100 are loss making. As per the consolidated Balance Sheet of the CPSUs, as on 31.3.98 the cumulative loss of CPSUs was Rs. 41,265 crores.

(c) Government at present have not taken decision to close any sick central PSU. It has been the endeavour of the Government to safeguard the interest of the workers in all cases.

(d) According to provisional information available the total amount of outstanding dues/arrears as on 31.12.98 was around Rs. 1500 crores. The arrears consist of both current as well as past liabilities.

(e) The policy of the Government in regard to PSU including weak units has been stated in the FM's Budget Speech for 1999-2000.

Meeting of the Standing Labour Committee

3002. SHRI JIBON ROY: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Labour invited various Ministries of the Central Government to participate in the 35th Session of the Standing Labour Committee;

(b) if so, the names of the Ministries invited for the meeting and those who failed to attend the meeting;

(c) the designation of the representatives who attended the meeting; and

(d) the representatives of the Union Ministries who spoke in the meeting?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA): (a} to (d) .Nineteen Central Ministries/Departments namely (i) Planning Commission; (ii) Agriculture & Cooperation, (iii) Coal, (iv) Commerce, (v) Environment &